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Welcome to the fifth issue of D.A. We're a little later with this issue than we had planned, but we think you'll find it well worth the wait.

We've made a few small changes to this issue, and while they're not earth shaking, we hope you'll find them a nice touch.

This time around we've got a lot of information on how the military might be involved in hoaxing UFO sightings, waves, and possibly even UFO abductions. We'll most likely continue to cover this type of information in the future, although probably not as much so as in this issue.

To wrap this issue up, we've got an excellent piece by Brian Boldman on how project Blue Book handled their "investigation" of physical samples.

Also, we should have an E-mail address soon to make it easier for those of you who'd like to drop us a line. We'll most likely announce it in the next issue.

And please remember that we want readers to contribute ideas, articles, and letters to the Editor. We hope to create a publication where researchers can present unbiased information and views without fear of censorship. Now, let's get on with this issue.

Here at Devil's Advocate we feel obligated to voice views that many people would consider to be in opposition to the majority opinion. We don't claim to be right all the time, our purpose is just to make you think.

We believe that there is a genuine UFO phenomenon, but we also feel that we should examine every side of the story to keep ourselves open minded, objective, and on our toes.

FALSE MIRACLES IN THE SKY; IS THE U.S. MILITARY IN THE BUSINESS OF HOAXING UFOs?

In order to thoroughly examine UFO sightings and UFO waves, a researcher must attempt to consider every possible rational explanation for the incident before classifying it as a genuine unknown. One such explanation as to the cause of UFO sightings is one that is largely ignored by UFO researchers, but it may play a larger role in UFO cases than many would suspect. This cause is military hoaxing of UFOs for any of a variety of possible reasons.

One of the inevitable facts that we must examine is that the U.S. military has by now realized that the belief in extraterrestrials and UFOs is something which can be manipulated to benefit the modern military machine. This is true regardless of whether or not UFOs

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actually represent some type of undiscovered intelligence, because a belief in *anything* can be used to manipulate the believer, regardless of whether or not that belief is objectively correct. People donate a huge amount of money to various religious organizations every day. How correct the religion actually is does not change the fact that the money has changed hands and that the belief in these religions influence the actions of millions of people on a daily basis.

Writing in the excellent and informative book War on the Mind, Peter Watson states, "Equipment has been developed to use low-lying cloud as a screen off which to bounce huge propaganda shows. Tape recordings of primitive gods have been prepared, to be played from helicopters, thus frightening tribes and keeping them in their villages- a sophisticated form of population control."

War on the Mind was first printed in 1978, so we can safely assume that by now technology has progressed to the point that any display of the type Watson referred to would be nearly impossible to detect as a fraud if performed today. We should also consider the fact that Watson, in all likelihood, was not fully informed of the technological capabilities of the military at that time, just as many of us are unaware of their capabilities today. So it's possible that more sophisticated means than the ones Watson mentioned could have been employed.

A holographic image of a UFO displayed over a large city in some third world country (or any other place for that matter) could have incredible, and possibly dangerous effects. Such a display could cause panic, confusion, and hesitation in those witnessing it.

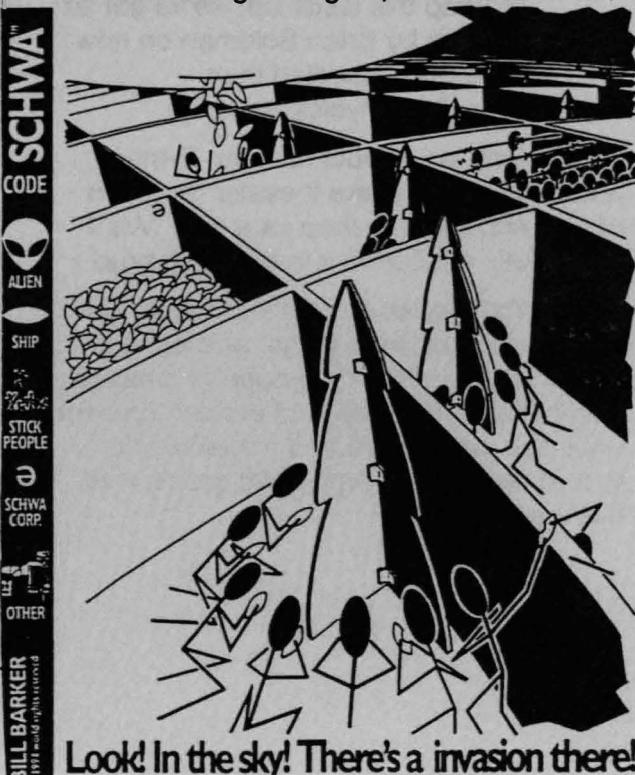
Writing in Revelations, the book with by far the most information on UFOs

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and psychological warfare, Jacques Vallee even ponders the possibility that the reason for the numerous sightings of UFOs over sensitive military installations might be due to hoaxes performed to test the security of these installations and the reaction of the personnel when confronted by a UFO. Vallee even goes so far as to claim "antiterrorist exercises in which the attackers disguised their craft as a flying saucer have actually been run more than once."

A mock invasion from space could provide an excellent diversion during rescue operations. And for all you conspiracy buffs, a threat such as spaceships hovering above U.S. cities could be used as an excuse to order martial law or to call for a unifying of all the earth's nations.

We could even safely speculate that rumors of crashed UFOs and recovered alien technology might actually originate with the government itself. If unable to recover an actual spaceship from Zeta Reticuli, then surely making everyone believe that you have one is the next best thing. Imagine, for one moment,



the reactions of foreign leaders contemplating aggression against a country that possesses technology from another world. Magic manufactured in Zeta Reticuli. Or at least an amazing facsimile. Any way you slice it, the alien technology rumors aren't hurting the military, and you can bet they know it.

Let's break it down and analyze other reasons the military may be interested in hoaxing UFO sightings, and, at times, possibly even UFO flaps.

First, we can speculate that if there is a genuine UFO mystery the military would want to test the reaction of the public when confronted by it in an undeniable way. Just in case UFO sightings should one day suddenly increase dramatically in number to the point that no one can deny the reality of the phenomenon, the government has to have at least a rough idea of what the effect would be. Would panic ensue? Would people suddenly begin going insane and committing suicide, as many fans of the cover-up suggest?

Another possibility is that we are being gradually indoctrinated into a world where the existence of UFOs is an everyday reality. Perhaps UFOs are real and the government decides that the best way to prepare the public for this reality is to slowly and gradually increase sightings around the country to dispel fear which might otherwise crop up should this reality hit suddenly.

What about abductions? Would the military fake abductions? They might if they were attempting to reinforce the belief that UFOs are piloted by little grey men from outer space. Hoaxed abductions paired with hoaxed UFO sightings would also reinforce belief in the reality of UFO waves in those areas. Does the military have the capability to carry out such operations? The answer is

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yes. With hypnosis, mind altering drugs, and even more exotic tools at their disposal, hoaxing a kidnapping by little, bug eyed men would be fairly simple.

Looking at several aspects of the UFO phenomenon we can see opportunities for exploitation. We can also see how manipulating certain aspects of the phenomenon in a particular way would benefit the military.

If, by some remote possibility, the military hasn't figured out that the belief in UFOs could be manipulated to benefit them in certain ways, then perhaps they need to find some new psychological warfare specialists, as the ones they have now wouldn't be doing their job's. This is highly unlikely, as the evidence shows that in certain cases it was not genuine UFOs that people were witnessing, but instead an elaborate military hoax.

In the future, we hope to examine this subject more thoroughly. We'll start out by delving into a particular case where the evidence suggests that the U.S. military hoaxed a UFO wave: The Gulf Breeze red lights.

[If any readers, or anyone they know, can provide information on military projects like the ones discussed above, they may contact D.A. with confidence that their names will be held confidential; They may also do so anonymously if they prefer.]

STRIEBER THINKS MIND CONTROL A POSSIBLE EXPLANATION FOR HIS EXPERIENCES

At the 1996 Gulf Breeze UFO conference, Whitley Strieber gave a very unusual lecture in which he contemplated

the possibility that his visitor experiences may be the product of some type of mind control experimentation by the U.S. intelligence community, possibly the CIA. Strieber revealed that he has memories of being given several unusual intelligence tests as a child. Unusual because he still to this day does not know who administered these tests or what the purpose of this testing was.

Strieber lectured on some of the CIA's mind control projects which involved the manipulation of the test subjects' minds, nearly always without the subjects' permission, and often causing permanent damage to their mental capabilities. He spoke on documented mind control experiments using LSD, hypnosis, and even more exotic means.

Strieber went on to reveal that he believes he has two implants in his body. One is in one of his earlobes and the other in one of his little fingers (we don't know which hand or ear). He has no memory of them being implanted. He now wonders if these implants may be causing his contact experiences, possibly as a part of another CIA mind manipulation program. It seems that Strieber feels these implants may be using ELF waves, or some other exotic technology, to cause him to experience his contacts with the visitors. Although Strieber seemed to be suggesting that he thought the intelligence community may be responsible for these implants, he also remains open to the possibility that they were placed there by "the visitors" whom he claims contact with.

Strieber plans to have these implants removed, despite the fact that he does not want his experiences to end, something which he accepts as a possibility. He promises to document the entire procedure and to have the objects analyzed. He will also undergo psychological testing before and after the

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removal of the objects in order to document any changes caused by their removal.

It seems astonishing to us here at D.A. that Strieber is open to other possible origins for his experiences. Many "abductees" wouldn't dare be so open minded.

Strieber now confronts another scary possibility, that some UFO abductions may be the product of the MK-Ultra of our time.

HUMAN PERCEPTION: THE WEAK LINK

After decades, if not centuries, of being confronted by the amazing mystery of the UFO phenomenon, we have all wondered why we are still lacking an answer to the question of the origin of these mysterious objects. Speculation on the reason ranges from the mundane to the exotic, as everything in Ufology does. Perhaps the best answer to this question is that we don't know how to evaluate the data that we possess. We don't have the luxury of studying UFOs, but are instead forced to study UFO reports, to paraphrase J. Allen Hynek.

Human perception plays such a large part in reports of the unknown that it is nearly impossible to separate the actions of the phenomenon from unintentional embellishments by the witnesses. It is a well known, basic psychological fact that a witness to an event will be unknowingly affected by his belief of what he is witnessing. If someone believes they are witnessing a UFO (which in their opinion automatically means a spaceship from another planet) they are more likely to assign characteristics to the object which they would equate with spaceships. Meaning, if a farmer walks outside one night and

sees an object in the distance, which is too far away to be seen clearly, he may believe he is seeing windows, antennae, etc. when none are present. This embellishment is usually unintentional. Human beings are good at seeing what they expect to see.

Where does that leave us? We are in the awkward position of an archeologist who is confronted with the task of assembling the bones of a newly discovered species of dinosaur. Except this lucky archeologist has one great advantage; At least he knows when he has found a bone. We not only don't know how to assemble our puzzle, we also don't even know when we have found an actual piece, and how important it is to the overall picture we are piecing together.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

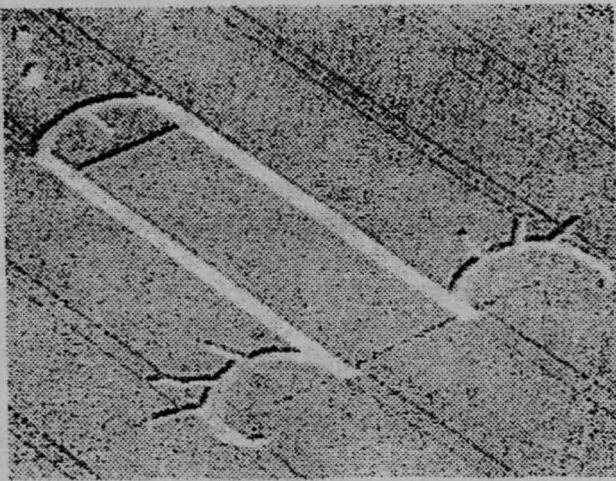
Well, the old mailbag is quite light this time around except for a nice note from "Agent O" (a.k.a. Jim Moseley).

"Here's something for you to add to the fact that aliens take on the personality of the researcher [note: At the recent Gulf Breeze conference we discussed with Jim the tendency for different abduction researchers to strangely root out memories of different types of aliens.] In the old days (1950-1975?) the 'little men' always spoke the language of the country they were in and took on national traits to an extent, i.e., they were always wilder and more excitable in South America than here (and more interested in sex too). This is Pre-abduction era. Somehow, maybe an intelligence is trying to get through to us as best they can, due to our

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limitations, not theirs! Write a Ph.D. article on this with credit to me."

D.A. response: This is one of the most important clues to unlocking the origin of the abduction phenomenon that we possess. Unfortunately, it points to an answer which is at least partly psychological, which tends to scare off most researchers, as they will only accept abduction stories at face value. So while some abduction researchers may believe that explaining differences in reports of these entities is as easy as speculating that a new race of aliens is visiting our planet, the mystery obviously goes much deeper than that. Would the abduction gurus have us believe that there's a planet out there with little, wild, South American speaking men who fly to our planet (specifically to South America, strangely enough) to perform absurd actions and have sex with us? With such fearless intellectual pioneers probing(!) the abduction phenomenon, we'll surely have an answer in no time.



This crop "circle" appeared near the British Prime Minister's country home in 1993. We debated about the tastefulness of printing this one, but we figured if them darn aliens are perverts, that ain't our fault. Special thanks to the guys at The Excluded Middle for this one. They run an excellent publication. Get in touch with them at Box 1077, Los Angeles, CA 90048.

PROJECT BLUE BOOK, PHYSICAL SAMPLES, AND ANGEL HAIR CASES

by
Brian Boldman

As most ufologists know, Project Blue Book was started in 1947 as project Sign, became Project Grudge, and finally Blue Book, which ran until the Condon Report in 1969. Over 12,000 cases were investigated, out of which 585 remained unexplained. It has been stated numerous times that Blue Book was simply a public relations program that explained away UFO sightings, avoiding public panic. The better, harder to explain cases were funneled off to some other agency where they were taken very seriously. In fact, during the '50's and '60's, Major Donald Keyhoe was very vocal about this, actually accusing the Air Force of censoring UFO information. In his report on the Zamora case in Socorro, N.M., J. Allen Hynek stated "The whole Project Blue book is a grand cover-up for something the government does not want discussed."

I have now compiled 99 angel hair cases world wide, 75 of which occurred during the operation of Blue Book. Even though there was much media attention of UFO's and angel hair, especially during the fifties, there is only *one* of these cases included in Blue Book. This was the Jerome, Ohio case that occurred on October 22, 1954. (See DA #3) Even though during the fifties UFO sightings were almost synonymous with angel hair, Blue Book ignored case after case where ***physical evidence*** could have been collected. The question is, was this deliberate or just bad science?

Out of the 75 angel hair cases occurring world wide during Blue Book, at least 34 of these were associated with

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UFO reports (43%). There were 35 cases in the US alone, with 13 reports of UFO's (37%). There were so many spectacular cases during the fifties that it would have been impossible for Ruppelt not to have been aware of them. One classic case, while not involving angel hair, are the Trent photos taken in McMinnville, Oregon in 1950. These are possibly the most tested UFO photos in the world, and undoubtedly not a hoax. Blue Book never looked at them.

Investigative inconsistencies abound in the Blue Book files. Many "explanations" stretch credibility, such as the claim people saw stars or planets when they were not even visible in our hemisphere. The "physical evidence" stored at the National Archives is laughable. The Devil's Advocate "staff" (meaning the Editor and myself) traveled to Archives II in College Park, Maryland and went through this junk hoping to find angel hair samples. We were amazed at the eclectic collection of trash. Rocks and meteorites seemed to be the most numerous, with metal pipes, small pieces of metal, and broken electrical equipment also abundant. This collection seemed to be intentionally composed of artifacts that deliberately led to a negative conclusion.

It seems there was a tendency to play up the ridiculous cases and evidence, and ignore others. This goes along with the Robertson Panel conclusions, stripping UFO's from their aura of mystery, discrediting and ridiculing witnesses, etc. In going through the case files, it was interesting how attention to detail and the scientific method was applied to each case. For instance, in one case a chunk of glass lands on a field, and all hell breaks loose. They analyze it, measure the impact area in detail, and even take *aerial photographs*. But in Jerome, Ohio, 60 witnesses see a UFO,

angel hair covers at least three miles and dissolves in their hands, and samples are sent to the Air Force. But in the Blue Book Report *there is no analysis of this material*. They simply state it was "OTHER: SPIDER GOSSAMER." If that's what it was, why didn't they include some sort of basis for that conclusion, as it would have tended to discredit the case? There certainly was enough to collect, and spider web does not dissolve. Civilians actually did the collecting for them, the fact that the Air Force received angel hair samples from the public is documented.

On the Jerome "PROJECT 10073 RECORD," (Blue Book file) in block 9, "PHYSICAL EVIDENCE" is X'd "YES." Also, a letter from one of the teachers at the school references angel hair that was collected and placed in a jar, to be given to the Air Force by a newspaper editor. In her letter she states: "He informed us he would send it to the Air Force, which he later told me he did, without of course ever hearing any more about it." On top of that, Mrs. (name deleted from file) from Wheelersburg, Ohio, sent the Air Force a letter on which she *had actually taped a sample*. (see copy of this letter on page 8) There is no question this was received as a reply to this lady is included in the file. This letter was from Lt. Colonel Joseph A. Bloomer, USAF, who was the Directorate of Intelligence Officer. He states "Thank you for your letter of October 27th, which reported your observation of certain unidentifiable aerial phenomena and further enclosed a piece of substance which you found. The Air Force has had a major active program in this area over the last several years, and your report and substance will be turned over to our analysts for further evaluation."

Another angel hair case that occurred in Puente, California, also

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involved the Air Force. On February 2, 1954, a huge disk reportedly turned red and emitted angel hair. Pageant magazine covered the story which included the following: "Betz of the Air Force interviewed Daily in Puente and was told of the jar in Miller's photo lab...Betz did not suggest the second jar be opened and he departed with it." Leroy Betz was a civilian special investigator for the Air Force.

The Whitsett case (see DA#4) occurred the following year and analysis proved it was not spider web.

Angel hair was also analyzed in Elmira, N.Y. in 1955, where it was found to contain carbon, calcium, silica, aluminum, iron, and other trace elements. This is strikingly similar to an analysis done in Argentina in 1963 where the material contained boron, calcium, magnesium, and silicon. Spider web is comprised mainly of a protein compound called scolioprotein. Before I believe Blue Book's conclusion that the material in Ohio was spider web, I would like to see an analysis of it.

As reported in DA #3, another possible angel hair fall occurred only 82 miles due west of Jerome on the same day, at Union City, Indiana. Rodney Warrick, the principle at the Jerome school, reported the UFO went westerly. The witness in Union City reported a silvery object moving very fast, followed by a fall of something that clung to trees, bushes, and his TV antenna. It seems almost illogical to assume they were not the same phenomena. However, on the Blue Book case file for the Union City sighting, the "PHYSICAL EVIDENCE" block was X'd "Yes," but notated "NOT RECVD." The conclusion was "OTHER> CHAFF DROP."

from right..

The little bit of substance created a
slipping problem; I hope it is not too
mashed when you get it.

I would appreciate your letting me
know what substance it is composed
of.

Sincerely yours,

Tim [REDACTED]

This is a copy of the second page of a letter to the Air Force onto which the writer
taped a sample of angel hair. The triangle visible is where the sample was taped.
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Talk about a coincidence, we have stuff falling out of the sky from a silvery object that in one spot is spider web, but only 80 miles away turns into radar chaff. There are no two ways about it; Either our government wasted our tax money for years doing poor science, or Blue Book was a white wash, or a combination of both. Either way, Blue Book led many farther from the truth. The big question is was it simply government ineptness, or was it part of a cover up of grand proportions.



Major Hector Quintanilla, Jr., of Project Blue Book stands amid supposedly extraterrestrial artifacts that all proved earthly. He holds a copper shell filled with radio parts. The disks in the foreground are pancakes.

"Scientist in the year 2066 may think us very naive in our denials." J. Allen Hynek

Devil's Advocate REVIEWS, REVIEWS, REVIEWS!

First up for review this time around is a set of four audio tapes titled Conversations in ufology. Our friends Brent Raynes and Greg Little, who together publish the excellent journal Alternate Perceptions, have created a four tape set which, not unlike their journal, packs in a ton of information at the best price around. Those of you out there like us, who are fed up with shelling out big bucks for information, will surely want to give this tape set a look. \$14.95 (+ \$2 for shipping to White Buffalo Books, Box 9972, Memphis, TN 38190) gets you four hours(!) of material, such as interviews with Greg and Brent, discussions on different theories of the origin of UFOs, including the electromagnetic energy spectrum theory which Dr. Little dealt with so well in his book Grand Illusions, discussions on religion, Carl Jung's beliefs about UFOs, and discussions on cases such as the Mothman sightings and the Betty and Barney Hill abduction case. There are loads of other topics discussed in the same free flowing manner. There's probably something here to get just about anybody who's interested in UFOs to do some serious thinking about what's going on.

Many of you may have already heard mention of the government's research into a ground based Star Wars type weapons system called HAARP, but whether your knowledge on the subject is primitive or more fully evolved, you should still check out Angels Don't Play This HAARP. This is an extremely informative book on the government's involvement with Tesla technology, and its possibly damaging effects if used incorrectly. We also found sections dealing with the CIA's experimentation with LSD and hypnosis in

the hopes of finding the ultimate mind control weapon to be very interesting. Give this book to anybody who refuses to believe that our government is, and has often been, involved in many dangerous and less than ethical research projects. \$14.95 + \$1.50 postage. Earthpulse Press, Box 201393, Anchorage, Alaska, 99520. (907) 249-9111.

Just in time for review we received a copy of Jacques Vallee's new novel Fastwalker. In this, his first novel available in English, Vallee seems to mix grains of truth with an excellent fictional storyline. We often found ourselves wondering where the fiction ended and the truth began. Did Vallee incorporate factual information, which he felt best releasing as fiction, into the storyline?

The plot involves the U.S. government's plan to encourage belief in extraterrestrial visitation, while secretly searching for the truth behind the mystery. J. Allen Hynek and the Blue book fiasco are covered in a section in which Vallee seems to be expressing his personal view of what went on with the Air Force investigation of the phenomenon. This one's definitely worth picking up, and it will surely make you consider some things about the government's role in the UFO mystery which you may not have considered before. Available for \$14.95 (+ \$2.50 for P&H) from North Atlantic books, Box 12327, Berkeley, CA 94712. Phone orders: 1-800-337-2665.

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Researcher looking for samples of, or information regarding, angel hair. See my article in this issue. Brian Boldman, Box 156, Belews Creek, NC 27009. Email: apav8r@nr.infi.net.

D.A. is looking for information on possible military attempts to hoax UFO sightings, and military use of, or experimentation with psychological warfare. All names will be held confidential if requested. Respond to D.A. directly. Thanks.

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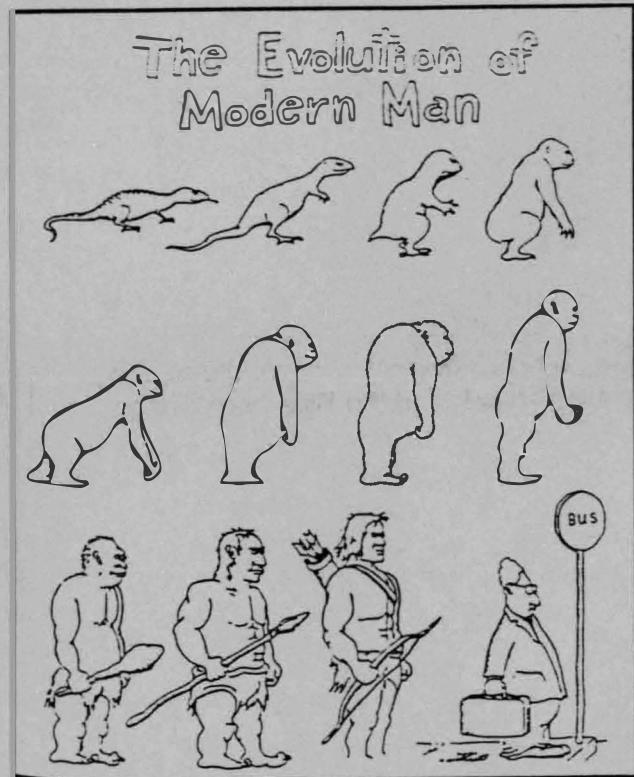
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